

Also, the resolution in relation to the Franklin Bank of Baltimore;

Also, the resolution in favor of the Maryland Historical Society;

Also, the resolution in favor of Green Lane academy;

Also, the resolution in relation to furnishing the clerks of the county courts and registers of wills and commissioners of the several counties in the State with copies of the laws; and

The resolution in favor of the Chaplains of the two Houses;

Severally endorsed, "assented to," and the resolutions ordered to be engrossed.

And delivered the following bills, originated in and passed by the Senate:

A bill entitled, an act supplementary to an act entitled, an act further to amend the act incorporating the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal company, passed at December session 1830, chapter 297;

A bill entitled, an act to regulate the publication of the proceedings of the commissioners of Washington county;

Which was read and referred to the Washington county delegation.

A bill entitled, a supplement to the act of 1817, chapter 78, relating to lunatic paupers in the several counties in this State and Howard District;

Which was read and referred to the committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice.

And the following message:

*By the Senate,  
March 7th, 1845.*

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:*

We herewith return the bill passed by your honorable body, entitled, "an act to regulate the compensation of certain officers," which we have been reluctantly compelled to reject, and we embrace the occasion to state as briefly as possible some of the reasons which have brought us to that conclusion, and also to present the outline of another bill which meets our approbation, and which, upon due reflection we trust will command yours also; and which, if adopted, we cannot but believe, will more effectually accomplish the object we have in view. Whether we regard the bill presented to us, in respect to what we consider its unjust effect upon some of the officers embraced in it, or look to its probable operation as a measure of finance, we are constrained to view it, as obnoxious to objections not applicable to one framed upon the basis herewith respectfully submitted.

In regard to the first point, we take the liberty most respectfully to suggest, that we cannot perceive the justice of a proceeding, which with some two or three exceptions, reduces all the Clerks and Registers in the State, to the same standard of compensation.